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TO: All Users of the Vermont Field Office Technical Guide

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PURPOSE: Notice of new Soil-Septic Ratings based on 2002 State of Vermont Environmental Protection Rules

EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Receipt

BACKGROUND: These ratings provide information on the soils in Vermont in relation to their suitability for residential on-site waste disposal systems based on the 2002 Vermont Environmental Protection Rules. These ratings and the accompanying report replaces the publication, "Ancillary Soil Interpretation Ratings for On-site Sewage Disposal in Vermont," published in January, 1997, by NRCS.

The soil properties that affect on-site waste disposal suitability and design have been compared to regulations set forth by the recently-enacted 2002 State of Vermont Environmental Protection Rules. This study has resulted in a new set of ancillary soil interpretations for residential on-site waste disposal systems, with the soil map units in Vermont separated into five general suitability groups and then further separated into twenty-three subgroups.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: File this information in Section II-A, Soils Information, under Waste Disposal Interpretations.

For more information, contact Thom Villars, Soil Resource Specialist, in the White River Jct. Field Office.

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